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## **Subcommittee to Study the Impact of Illegal Immigration on Virginia's Criminal Justice System**

RICHMOND – Senator Kenneth W. Stolle (R – Virginia Beach), Chairman of the Virginia State Crime Commission, today announced the formation of a special subcommittee to examine the impact of illegal immigration on all aspects of Virginia's criminal justice system. The subcommittee's review will include, but not be limited to, crimes committed by and against illegal immigrants in Virginia, the costs associated with such crime on Virginia's criminal justice system, and what measures may effectively be taken at the state and local levels of government. "Despite the scores of bills brought before the General Assembly in recent years that claim to deal with this issue," said Senator Stolle, "very little is known about the scope of the problem and how it is affecting public safety and our criminal justice system. The subcommittee will endeavor to understand the problem in an effort to formulate measures that are both legally sound and effective."

Additional details pertaining to the subcommittee's study, as well as its membership, will be discussed at a meeting of the Virginia State Crime Commission on May 22, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. in Senate Room A.